

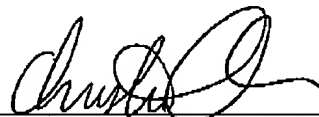
REMARKS

Applicants do not acquiesce in the Examiner's determination of separate inventions, however, in order to expedite prosecution of the present application, Applicants hereby elect to restrict examination to the invention identified by the examiner as Invention II, claims 25-28. Accordingly, claims 1-24 and claims 28-33 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein. New claims 34-56 are added in place of the canceled claims for which fees have already been paid. New claims 34-56 are also directed to the invention identified by the Examiner as Invention II.

If necessary, Applicants request that this response be considered a request for an extension of time appropriate for the response to be timely filed. Applicants request that any required fees needed beyond those submitted with this response be charged to the deposit account of Bose McKinney & Evans, Deposit Account No. 02-3223.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below should any question or comments arise during the course of consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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